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SUBJECT: STILL MORE ON THE FRG-POLISH AGREEMENT

REF: A. WARSAW 5497; B. WARSAW 5458

1. AN FRG CONSULAR OFFICER HAS TOLD THE EMBASSY THAT HE DISCUSSED THE MALCUZYNSKI ARTICLE WITH ITS AUTHOR ON THE EVENING OF AUGUST 19, THE DATE OF ITS PUBLICATION. MALCUZYNSKI TOLD HIM THAT HIS INITIAL DRAFT OF THE ARTICLE HAD BEEN SENT BACK TO HIM SEVERAL TIMES FOR REVISION, AND THAT THE FINAL VERSION WAS QUITE DIFFERENT FROM THE FIRST. THE FIRST DRAFT STATED FLATLY THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN POLAND AND THE FRG COUL NOT BE FULLY NORMALIZED UNTIL SOME PAYMENT HAD BEEN MADE TO THE VICTIMS OF THE CONCENTRATIONS CAMPS. HE WAS REQUIRED TO TONE THIS DOWN. ON THE OTHER HAND HE WAS TOLD TO STRENGTHEN SOME OTHER STATEMENTS IN SUPPORT OF THE POLISH INTERPRETATION OF THE AGREEMENT.

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2. COMMENT: TRYBUNA LUDU ENJOYS SELF-CENSORSHIP STATUS, AND WHETHER AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH ARTICLE CAME FROM A HIGHER LEVEL REMAINS UNCLEAR. HOWEVER, THE ARTICLE, WITH CONTROVERSIAL PASSAGES, WAS CARRIED THE FOLLOWING DAY, AUGUST 20, IN AT LEAST ONE PROVINCIAL NEWSPAPER, GLOS WYBRZEZA. SINCE ALL PROVINCIAL PARTY NEWSPAPERS NOW COME UNDER CENTRAL COMMITTEE CONTROL, IT CAN BE ASSUMED THAT AUTHORIZATION CAME FROM RELATIVELY HIGH AUTHORITIES.
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